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Statistics about clerks in the Revenue Secretariat.

* 226 Q.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of clerks in the Revenue Secretariat belonging to each of these communities, namely, Brahmans, Backward Classes and Harijans (separate figures for men and women clerks); and

(*b*) how many of them are at present under emergency provisions?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—

		Men.	Women.
" (*a*)	Brahmans	8	3
	Backward classes	12	..
	Harijans	..	..
" (*b*)	Brahmans	..	3
	Backward classes	2	..
	Harijans	..	.. "

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question No. 227."

(Hon. Members Sri Nagarajan and Sri Vinayakam stood up in their seats.)

MR. SPEAKER :—" We are now on the next question. I looked on all sides and no hon. Member stood up, and, therefore, I passed on to the next question."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I know you are perfectly right. But it is the usual practice to give preference to the hon. Member who gave notice of the question to put supplementaries first. So we thought . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member who put the question did not get up in his seat to put supplementaries. I looked on all sides and no other hon. Member stood up. Therefore, I passed on to the next question."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" The reason why we did not stand up was we did not want to stand up like school boys."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Now we are on the next question."

Appointment of an I.C.S. Officer as the Chief Conservator of Forests.

* 227 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM (on behalf of Sri M. Dharmalingam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the necessity for appointing an I.C.S. Officer as Chief Conservator of Forests?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Government decided to appoint an I.C.S. Officer as the Chief Conservator of Forests in the hope that the administrative efficiency of the Forest Department will be improved."